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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director (Intelligence)

SUBJECT: Foreign Travel Survey for the Period -
1 January to 30 June 1952

1. Attached for your information is a brief analysis of the reports submitted, classifying travel performed during the subject period into eight basic categories. Where trips have involved more than one purpose, an effort has been made to classify the travel in accordance with the major purpose involved. [REDACTED]

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2. It does not appear that the number of trips was excessive considering the many purposes involved nor that this experience raises any serious question.

3. OCI is making every effort to assure that maximum benefits are derived from its area familiarization travel program. Initial experience with the arrangements under which the State Department extends "usual courtesies" to the OCI travellers abroad, in lieu of contact with Plans personnel, has been very favorable. Wherever appropriate, the arrangements are now being utilized for other types of travel.

4. Regarding travel by specialists to give guidance to collectors and to perform actual collection, it is believed that each proposed trip in this category should be carefully examined by all concerned to make certain that it is undertaken only when the need cannot be met by written requirements through established channels.

5. It is evident from our contacts with the offices that necessary steps are being taken to assure that each proposed foreign trip is necessary, adequately planned, and properly coordinated. With the understanding that essential travel is to be encouraged, it is believed that continuation of these efforts will prevent unnecessary travel which over a period of time might, among other adverse effects, bring serious criticism and result in a limitation on funds available for the purpose.

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